

SESQUICENTENARIAN SOUND SENTIMENT

Round-Table Talks With Business Men Test Public on Fair

COMMERCE BOARD AIDS

Round-table talks between the newly formed Advisory Executive Committee of the Sesqui-Centennial Association and groups of prominent business men to sound out public opinion on the fair are being continued today.

The first of the conferences was held yesterday with twelve members of the Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee.

Ernest T. Trigg, who is chairman both of the Fair Committee and of the executive board of the Chamber of Commerce, expressed himself as well pleased with the outcome of the conference, and said a generally responsive attitude was evinced by the Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee.

This is considered significant, in view of the fact that all but two of the Chamber of Commerce groups are manufacturers. The only Philadelphia Manufacturers' Association, which is strongly opposed to the fair project, has consistently maintained that the celebration would be injurious to manufacturing interests.

Representing the Chamber of Commerce were Alvin B. Johnson, its president; Howard H. French, P. H. Gadsden, David K. Kistner, E. J. Laferriere, W. P. Barba, Hollinshead N. Taylor, Charles Vaughn, Charles J. Cohen, Joseph Steele and N. B. Kelly, secretary.

It is planned to continue these conferences daily, and the views expressed by the business men will be influential in determining the program finally selected.

Report Textile Men Opposed

The Philadelphia Textile Manufacturers' Association recently addressed an inquiry to all textile manufacturers in Philadelphia regarding their opposition to the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition, which is desirable from the point of view of the textile manufacturing industry.

A total of 224 manufacturers responded to the inquiry, of which 225 expressed themselves as opposed to holding the Exposition. Four favored the project.

Two were undecided, one was indifferent and two were not stated. The total expense was limited. The 225 opposed to holding the Exposition replied as follows:

First. We have more acute an already possible labor shortage.

Second. Would be of no permanent benefit.

Third. The men and materials required could be put to rest at least 100 other better uses.

Fourth. Will result in increased costs of manufacturing by creating excesses of labor.

Fifth. Will increase the tax rate for mill owners and everybody else.

Sixth. Damages to an unreasonably high wages will be created.

Seventh. Will increase living costs, especially the rent.

Eighth. People who would otherwise be leaving in 1923 will be attracted into the building trade by "bonus" wages.

Ninth. Undesirable "parasites" will flock to the city and will be attracted to the law-enforcing branch of the municipal government.

Tenth. Business men do not sympathize with the idea of 1924 in the Exposition idea is discarded.

Eleven. Wages will be artificially inflated and the Exposition will have nothing but an artificial period of prosperity for Philadelphia.

Twelve. There is not enough common or skilled labor now for the building trades, to say nothing about the city industry.

Thirteen. It is believed that a basic standard should be maintained.

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Fifteen. Rent is now higher than it has ever been. We are already a city of high rents.

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FOG SCENES AT FERRY AND INDEPENDENCE SQUARE



AGENTS WATCHING BERGDOLL HOME

Belief Draft Dodger Will Attempt to Sneak Into Philadelphia to Visit Mother

Entry Ports Guarded

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EDUCATORS BEGIN 3-DAY CONFERENCE

Teachers of State Meet for Seventy-third Annual Convention at Bethlehem

LONG PROGRAM OUTLINED

Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 27.—The seventy-third session of the Pennsylvania State Education Association got under way this afternoon in the Liberty High School on North Linden street and will close Friday night.

All of this afternoon was given up to meetings of the nine departments into which the organization is divided, each group electing officers and hearing separate programs of speeches and discussions.

The first big entertainment event takes place tonight in the Liberty High School, when the Bach Choir, directed by Dr. J. Fred Wolfe, will sing. A program similar to the one given by the chorists in the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, on November 4, will be sung. There will be a reception in the gymnasium following the concert.

The four general sessions on Thursday and Friday morning and afternoon will center around the four following themes:

Citizenship: What the Nation expects of her schools and education for citizenship.

Teachers: The teacher and her position.

Finance: The State and the public-school system; the State's investment.

Industrial education: The influence of education upon the industrial life of the Nation.

The afternoon session in the main auditorium of the Liberty Building this afternoon was held by the high school department of which H. E. Winter, of Philadelphia, is president. Music was furnished by the Liberty High School Orchestra, directed by Miss A. Louise Morris, supervisor of music in the high schools.

Columbia Educator Speaks

Edward H. Lyman, director of vocational guidance at the Pittsburgh schools, spoke on "The place of vocational guidance in the schools of today."

Dr. Thomas D. Wood, of Columbia University, is president. He emphasized the importance of the health of the high school student.

Subjects discussed were "The value of extra-curricular activities in the high schools; are they worth the cost?" and "Physical education in the high school home system; and the effect of the rating system upon teaching."

The college and teacher training departments of which Clyde C. Green, of Clarion, is president, also met, opening with a business session. J. S. Hoiges, of Shippenburg, is vice-president; Leroy King, of University Park, is secretary; and C. C. Ellis, of Huntingdon, and W. C. Ketter, of Grove City, members of the Executive Council in this department.

The topic discussed by this group of educators this afternoon was "The Teacher Training Situation in Pennsylvania and Dr. Arthur J. Jones, of the University of Pennsylvania, spoke on "The College Department of Education—What Is Its Present Status?"

Dr. George H. Hoag, of the University of Pennsylvania, is president of the department and Wm. A. P. Akley, of Conestoga, is vice president.

The Executive Committee of this department includes John W. Sucke, of Lebanon County; Charles E. Dekey, of Albion County; and James J. Deane, of Berks County. The Committee on Resolutions for the superintendent's department includes William W. Evans, of Columbia County; Clyde T. Saxton, of Lancaster County; and Alvin F. Keim, of Berks County.

State Schools Head Speaks

At this group meeting Dr. Thomas P. Flinn, head of the State schools, spoke on the business session and was followed by Arthur J. Jones, of the State Department of Education, on "Effective Rural School Administration."

Dr. William D. Lewis, of the State Department of Education, is president of the department and Wm. A. P. Akley, of Conestoga, is vice president.

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Accused by Husband



MRS. FLORENCE RIDGWAY, wife of movie-theatre proprietor leaving courthouse with a friend. Mrs. Ridgway is the young woman in the fur coat.

RIDGWAY DOES NOT APPEAR IN COURT

"He Is Afraid To." Declares Wife Accused of Shooting Movie Proprietor

SHE TELLS OF A FIGHT

Jacob Ridgway, a motion picture theatre owner, did not appear today to press charges which had been made against his wife.

Ridgway and his wife separated several months ago when Mrs. Ridgway, who lives at 534 Dunsmuir avenue, Olney, started suit for divorce.

Some days ago there was a quarrel at the Ridgway home and the movie man went to the hospital. His wife was arrested and today she appeared before Magistrate Lindell, in the Brantford station, ready to hear Ridgway prosecute. But he was not present, having said word he was still ill. The hearing was continued until next Wednesday.

"Afraid," Mrs. Ridgway sniffed disdainfully, "that's what he is, just afraid. He's willing to have him sit just how he says he was shot. But he won't sue me in this court or any other one. He doesn't show up because he knows he is wrong. The morning we quarreled he came home at 12:30 o'clock and this whole matter has been going on for some time. Last night he filed papers for a divorce, but he could not keep away and is still living in the house."

Suffering from what she said was a feverish condition, Mrs. Ridgway was taken to the Jewish Hospital December 16, and Mrs. Ridgway was arrested on a charge preferred by District Detective Reeves today said Mrs. Ridgway admitted to him that she fired a revolver at a door in her room at 12:30 o'clock, but she did not get outside in the line of fire. Not until a couple of days after the alleged shooting was the bullet discovered in the bottom of a bureau in her room. Detective Reeves, who is in charge of the case, said that the bullet struck the door and injured Ridgway.

Mrs. Ridgway is a tall, blond and attractive woman who appeared at the hearing she was attired in a light and airy, black picture hat and a blue-laced dress of smart design.

The funeral of George R. Knapp, Headquarters Company, Fifty-third Infantry, who died at the Veterans' Hospital, Green, N. C., will take place tomorrow morning from his home, 1217 Porter street. He will be buried with military honors and a delegation of the American Legion will attend.

Knapp, who was 77 years of age, was wounded and gassed at St. Mihiel, and was in the Veterans' Hospital for twenty-two months.

A high mass of requiem will be sung at 10 o'clock in the Church of the Epiphany, Twelfth and Jackson streets. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon for William J. Collins, lumber dealer and owner of the firm of Joseph H. Collins & Son, who died Tuesday at his home, 1004 North Fifteenth street.

Mr. Collins, who was seventy-one years old, had been in the lumber business in this city for fifty years. He was a member of the Union League and the Lumbermen's Exchange. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. J. H. Collins, and two sons, William J., Jr., and Joseph H. Collins, who were associated with him in business. The services will be held at his home.

Hannie Taylor, Washington, Dec. 27.—(By A. P.)—Hannie Taylor, former U. S. Post Office Minister to Spain and recognized author of a number of books, died at his home here last night, aged seventy-one years, after an illness of a month.

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HELD FOR THEFT

Woodlawn Avenue Man Stole Auto Accessories. Is Charged

Henry Firth, 145 Woodlawn avenue, was held under \$400 bail by Magistrate Lindell, at the Germantown police station this morning, for a further hearing Sunday, charged with the theft of several hundred dollars' worth of automobile accessories from the garage of Patrick McDermott, 921 East Clifton avenue, Germantown.

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MITTEN FAVORED FOR SCHOOL BOARD

P. R. T. Head Expected to Be Elected to Fill Wanamaker Vacancy

When members of the Board of Judges meet today to elect a successor to the late John Wanamaker on the Board of Education it is unlikely that they will give more than passing consideration to the names of women who have been suggested for the vacancy.

While they believe women should make excellent members of the board, so far as women have been strongly recommended, the judges feel that a man of broad business experience who can deal with the financial and real estate problems of the board should be selected.

Thomas E. Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, appears to be favored by a majority of the judges, and predictions have been made that he will be elected immediately after the board convenes. Mr. Mitten's name was suggested by Congressman Vane through Recorder of Deeds Hazlett.

Mrs. Barclay H. Warburton and other women who have been strongly recommended, either in letters from private individuals or in resolutions adopted by women's clubs and other organizations. These include Miss Laura H. Carney, dean of Temple University; Miss Marion Reilly, a graduate and former dean of Bryn Mawr College, and Mrs. J. H. O'Hara, sister of the late Edward O'Hara, a congressman and formerly instructor in Bucknell University. Mrs. William E. Lingelbach is the only woman member of the board.

Deaths of a Day

James M. Kelley

Solemn requiem mass for James M. Kelley, president of M. Kelley's Sons, and dealer at 4040 Poplar street, will be celebrated in the Church of Our Mother of Sorrows Thursday morning.

Mr. Kelley, dean of Temple University, died Sunday in the Misericordia Hospital as a result of a fall Saturday from a coal cart to the concrete floor of a building in his yard. Mr. Kelley was treasurer of the Philadelphia Coal Exchange and the Philadelphia Builders' Supply Association and a director in the General Saving Fund and Trust Company, the Mechanics' Insurance Company and the Columbia Paper Company. He was 67 years of age.

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